

#### COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

#### DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

"To Enrich Lives Through Effective and Caring Service"

900 SOUTH FREMONT AVENUE ALHAMBRA, CALIFORNIA 91803-1331 Telephone: (626) 458-5100 http://dpw.lacounty.gov

ADDRESS ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO: P.O. BOX 1460 ALHAMBRA, CALIFORNIA 91802-1460

IN REPLY PLEASE
REFER TO FILE: C-1

January 16, 2007

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ACCEPTANCE OF PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5 3 VOTES

#### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Ratify changes in work and accept completed contract work under the following construction contract:

Project ID No. FCC0000979 - Morris Dam Rehabilitation of Drum Gates and Azusa Conduit Inlet Gates, in the Angeles National Forest (5), Abhe & Svoboda, Inc., with changes amounting to a credit of \$76,294.31, and a final contract amount of \$3,257,544.99 (Partial).

#### PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

This action is to obtain Board ratification of Director-approved changes in a public works contract and Board acceptance of the work of the contract in compliance with the provisions of the Public Contract Code. Included in the enclosure are project and contract data, the scope of work of changes to be ratified and the work of the contract to be accepted.

The Honorable Board of Supervisors January 16, 2007 Page 2

The Director of Public Works has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Changes to accommodate field conditions in order to meet the intent of the plans and specifications are not subject to this monetary limitation. Enclosed for your ratification are changes in work, which I ordered for this project.

This project has been completed, and it is recommended that your Board accept it on the date indicated in the enclosure.

#### <u>Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals</u>

The acceptance of this construction contract is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence since acceptance of this completed contract will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

The modification to the contract amount is a credit of \$76,294.31, while the total value of the contract is \$3,257,544.99.

Ratification of these changes in work and acceptance of the work of the contract by your Board is in compliance with the acceptance and prompt payment provisions of the Public Contract Code.

Sufficient funds are available in the Board-approved appropriations for this project to cover the costs of the changes and the total value of this contract. A detailed cost breakdown for the changes together with the contract cost summary are included in the enclosure.

#### FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

This contract for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Director of Public Works.

The Honorable Board of Supervisors January 16, 2007 Page 3

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The changes in the work as described above and in the enclosure are within the limits of the Board-approved projects and do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

#### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

This contract provided that the contractor be compensated for changes in the work as a result of changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs of these changes were based on contract unit prices. The method for arriving at the final costs of the changes is included in the enclosures.

#### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Ratification of the requested changes and acceptance of the work of the contracts by your Board will ensure the timely closeout of the respective contracts, releasing Departmental and County assets for other construction-related activities.

#### CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD L. WOLFE
Director of Public Works

IN:Igm

O:\Section\Administration\Board\Acc\01-16-07LTR.doc

Enc.

cc: Chief Administrative Office

County Counsel

Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

## ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT (PARTIAL) January 16, 2007

# PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000979, MORRIS DAM REHABILITATION OF DRUM GATES AND AZUSA CONDUIT INLET GATES (in the Angeles National Forest), Supervisorial District 5

<u>Contractor</u>: Abhe & Svoboda, Inc., a Corporation, 17066 Revere Way, Prior Lake, Minnesota 55372

#### **Project Description:**

Repair and rehabilitation of three spillway control drum gates, four slide gates, and other appurtenant work.

#### Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities

(\$76,294.31)

#### **Description of Changes:**

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on the contract unit prices.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

#### Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on October 17, 2006, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of the time required for the contactor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Additionally, contract specifications require the drum gates to be tested when the reservoir is full. Currently, the reservoir level is low, and the contractor cannot test these gates. As part of the contract warranty, the contractor will be returning to the site at a later date to test the drum gates when the reservoir level is high.

### **Final Contract Amount:**

Original contract amount	\$2,943,770.00
Actual changes in work previously approved by the Board	390,804.30
Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works Deduction for Overtime Inspection	(76,294.31) (735.00)
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	\$ <u>3,257,544.99</u>

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} AD: Igm \\ O: Section \administration \begin{tabular}{ll} Board \acc \old 1-16-07 LTR. doc \end{tabular}$